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Program

Gunter Hotel — 1st and 3rd Fridays — 8:00 p.m.

For the meeting of Feb. 7th we will have on our program, Mr. Roy Eggleston, W5QEM, who is one of the Section Communications Mgrs., for the West Gulf Divn., of the ARRL. With him will be Doc. Best, W5QKF, who is the emergency coordinator for So. Texas. They will talk to us about RACES, Civil Defense, etc.

The meeting Feb. 21st will be held at WOAI TV, located at 1031 Navarro at 8:00 p.m. Our host will be Doug Fleming, W5ZHR, who will conduct a tour of the Telecasting facilities and explain all the technical details as to equipment, etc., that are involved in telecasting.

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The new name for the San Antonio Radio Club paper is "The Exciter" as you can see by the masthead. This replaces the old name "Gutter Dope" which a majority of club members felt was no longer appropriate. It did seem desirable to have a column in the paper called "Gutter Dope" so that the name won't be lost entirely. We have thus made the change in this, the first edition in the new format with area-wide circulation.

We believe the title is appropriate. We hope to use this paper to excite the interest of all the local amateurs in the Radio Club as well as in ham radio in general. In a transmitter an exciter furnishes the drive to the final. We hope "The Exciter" furnishes the drive to build the Radio Club to new heights in membership and interest. We plan to have programs of a quality that will make the time spent in attending club meetings well worth while. A number of these programs are all lined up, and I am sure many of you that have not been regular in attending club meetings will be interested in coming down to hear them. Through the monthly publication of "The Exciter" we will keep you informed of what is going on in the club, and ham radio in San Antonio, and will be looking forward to seeing you at the next meeting. We would like to welcome at this time a few of the fellows who recently joined the San Antonio Radio Club, Inc. They are: W. W. Johnson, Fred Brown, Sidney Bourgois, George Ferguson and Carl Kilander.

If you have some questions or answers for the editor or want your name on the mailing list, write to The Editor, P. O. Box 62, San Antonio, Texas.

MARS

By W5EDZ

This being the first publication of a column pertaining to the MARS program, it is requested that anyone who has any news for publication please contact R. B. Wangler at DI 4-5545.

Local activities on the MARS channels at this time include work with the APR 5 Receivers in converting them to trans-receivers. Others are working to build an A.C. power supply for use with the BC 659 Trans-Rec. Dr. Hamm AAF5FMG is setting up antennas and receiving equipment for monitoring the American Satellite on 108 MC.

AREA NET MEETING TIMES: Texas #2 4417.5 KC Friday 1815-1915 NCS Hanno Kanz AF5EXY. Texas VHF #6 143.99 MC Sunday 0800-0900 NCS Ray Wangler AF5-EDZ. That is all for this time. See you on the air or next month in this column.

Ray

MOBILE

By W5EJT

Have been hearing W5DIZ on 75 checking in on a net in Eagle Pass, puts in a good signal according to net control. W5LMU from down Poteet way was working San Antonio on 75, QSO lasted from Pleasanton to Poteet.

Hear W5THU has been looking at the new Edsel. Wonder how the mobile will work in one of them. A new Buick Special is to house the mobile gear for W5RSD. Wonder when he will get brave enough to start drilling holes. The two meter mobiles, W5LFG,W5KCR, and W5LVE are holding their own. Haven't heard any nemcomers on two mobile but a lot are promised.

Hear W5KLW is band hopping on the mobile and occasionally hooks some pretty good DX.

SARC LADIES NEWS

Our club meets first and third Friday of the month at the same time as the Men's club in the Gunter Hotel, meeting time 8:00 p.m., Mez. "C".

All ladies of the San Antonio Amateurs are cordially invited.

We enjoy guest speakers and door prizes at the first meeting of the month, and play games at the second meeting, at which prizes are awarded to winners.

Socials are enjoyed once a month by members and husbands of the SARC Ladies, Rain or Shine, snow or sleet (it has happned).

We would like to congratulate several new Novices among our members, KN5OPS Ethel, KN5OPT Ruth, and KN5OPV Aileen. Sorry that Mary and Carolyn's license got waylaid because Uncle Sam wants to be sure Willard W5FND has enough equipment to be able to put them on the air.

Charlie W5LPU and Mary Lou White have a new baby girl.—Congratulations.

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Feb. 7th meeting we will have as guest speaker Bob Winn of the San Antonio Art Institute, who will speak on Mosaics. Should be of interest to all you ladies.

GUTTER DOPE

It seems that this club is well stocked with foreign ambassadors to other cities. Willard W5FND has been gone quite a bit lately, and so has Derwin W5LUU. It looks like the flying bug has bitten several of the hams and their wives in this vicinity, including Bob Clark W5OIK, and his XYL Sidney, Ralph Cole W5THU, George Loos W5LFG, Johnny Bruemmer W5LVE, Charlie White W5LPU, and XYL Mary Lou, and Sidney Bourgois.

We were in a radio supply house the other day, and saw a fellow ham who looked like he had just seen a spook. Now this fellow has been a die-hard CW man for twenty odd years. He called me aside and asked if I would go up to the counter, and buy him a mike if he would give me the money. I said, "Benny, they don't know or even care if you are a CW man as long as you have the money for the mike." Our only regrets are that we didn't get a picture of him carying it out under his jacket like he had stolen it.

We noticed Modern Radio had a new sign put up the other day. I guess they used the idea that Bill Case had for putting up a bigger and better sign.

144 MC
50 MC 420 MC

VHF ACTIVITIES

by Willard J. Carmack W5FND

This is the beginning of a series of articles which will appear in each issue. We hope the column will be of interest, and with your help success is eminent. All effort will be towards stimulating, and spurring VHF activities.

50 MC word has it that some people are looking for QSL cards from Alaska, Sweden, Great Britain, Ireland. Did you know that of the 20 some odd 14 karat meter stations on the air, at least 10 operate with the Sun and Moon? A part of this 20 (mule team) or so stations also operate 6 meter mobile!!

144 MC. If I can stir up as much interest on 2 meters as our esteemed colleague, Messr. Raymond Wangler AF5EDZ has on the MARS net, it will certainly be a fine thing.

Back on the 2 meter band is W5LOU Geo. Whitehead. W5JLY is back on after acquiring improved receiving capabilities. Our old friend, Alvin C. Heath W5JHQ at LaCoste, Texas, would be on except the old lady's TV set jumps up and down when he comes on. There were 12 stations working in the 2 meter amateur band this past week and Jan. 4, 5, some working contest. W5OZQ working on classified equipment, he says, and it's all apart too! (144-148 MC) Better watch that butter ball. K5BSH, K5ALX both heard working

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in contest—hmmm? Guess what, W5FND's antennas all seem to be stuck to the ground. W5BUV slowly recovering from severe case of the Black Leg. There are three new novices who could operate on our 145 MC band. Some crystals planted in the right places could do the trick. Congratulations, ladies KN5OPS, OPT, OPU. Also we have WOCYH from St. Louis, Mo., on 2 meters here in San Antonio.

SUM FUN

A man rushed excitedly into a smoking car of a train. "A lady has just fainted in the next car," he cried. "Has anybody got any whiskey?" Immediately several flasks appeared. He seized one, tilted it back, took a drink and returned it, saying, "Thanks. It always did make me feel sick to see a lady faint."

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